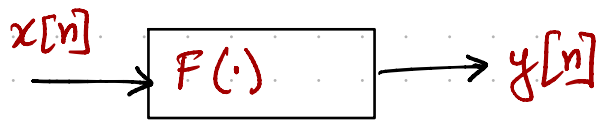


Linear Time-Invariant System

Discrete-Time System / Discrete System

A discrete-time system transforms discrete-time **inputs** into discrete-time **outputs**

$$x[n] \rightarrow y[n] = F(x[n])$$



Example → Balance Bank Account from Month to Month

$$y[n] = 1.01 y[n-1] + x[n]$$

models the fact that we accrue 1% interest each month

$x[n]$ → net deposit during n^{th} month

Basic System Properties

A system is **memoryless** if its output for each value of the independent variable at given time is **dependent** only on the input **at the same time**.

$$y[n] = (2x[n] - x^2[n])^2 \rightarrow \text{memoryless}$$

$$y[n] = y[n-1] + x[n] \rightarrow \text{system with memory}$$

A system is **invertible** if distinct inputs lead to distinct outputs

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k]$$



$$x[n] = y[n] - y[n-1]$$

Inverse system of the accumulator

A system is **causal** if the output at any time depends only on the input at the present time & past

All memoryless systems are **causal**. Why?

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k]$$

causal

$$y[n] = x[n] - x[n+1]$$

non-causal

A system is **stable** if small inputs lead to responses that do not diverge

accumulator:

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n x[k]$$

input → unit step signal.

$$y[n] = \sum_{k=-\infty}^n \mu[k]$$

$$\rightarrow y[n] = (n+1)\mu[n]$$



the output grows without bound



Unstable

A system is linear if the following two properties hold.

Additive Property

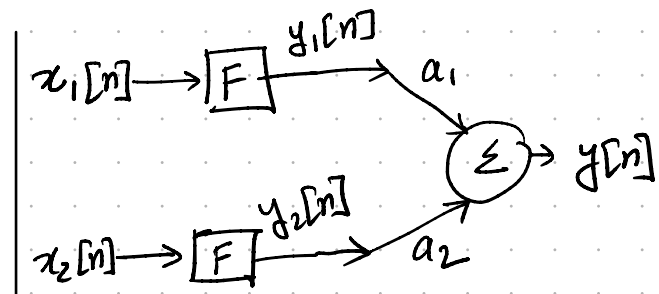
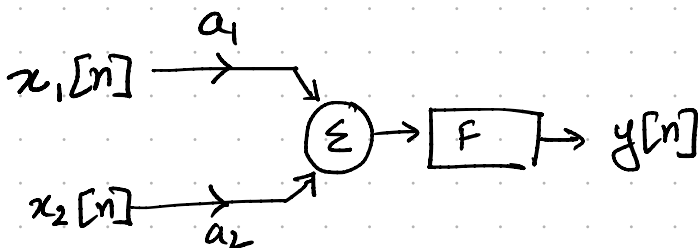
$$x_1[n] + x_2[n] \rightarrow y_1[n] + y_2[n]$$

Scaling or Homogeneity Property

$$ax[n] \rightarrow ay[n]$$

These two properties can be written as.

$$F(a_1 x_1[n] + a_2 x_2[n]) = a_1 y_1[n] + a_2 y_2[n]$$



Linear System \iff Superposition

$$\begin{array}{l} x_1[n] \rightarrow F \rightarrow y_1[n] \\ x_2[n] \rightarrow F \rightarrow y_2[n] \end{array}$$

Test Linearity

① In system equation, replace:

$$x[n] \rightarrow a_1 x_1[n] + a_2 x_2[n]$$

$$y[n] \rightarrow a_1 y_1[n] + a_2 y_2[n]$$

② Equation still valid?

valid \swarrow \searrow invalid
linear non-linear

Example 1

$$y[n] = 3x[n] + 2x[n-1]$$

(i) Substituting

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 y_1[n] + a_2 y_2[n] &= 3(a_1 x_1[n] + a_2 x_2[n]) + 2(a_1 x_1[n-1] + a_2 x_2[n-1]) \\ &= \underbrace{a_1(3x_1[n] + 2x_1[n-1])}_{\equiv y_1[n]} + \underbrace{a_2(3x_2[n] + 2x_2[n-1])}_{\equiv y_2[n]} \\ &= a_1 y_1[n] + a_2 y_2[n] \end{aligned}$$

Linear System

Generally, sum of scaled, delayed/advanced inputs \Rightarrow linear system

Example 2

$$y[n] = \alpha x[n] + \beta$$

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1 y_1[n] + a_2 y_2[n]) &= \alpha(a_1 x_1[n] + a_2 x_2[n]) + \beta \\ &= a_1 \alpha x_1[n] + a_2 \alpha x_2[n] + \beta \\ &= a_1(\alpha x_1[n] + \beta) - \beta a_1 + a_2(\alpha x_2[n] + \beta) - \beta a_2 + \beta \\ &\neq a_1 y_1[n] + a_2 y_2[n] + \underbrace{\beta(1 - a_1 - a_2)}_{\text{not equal, unless } \beta=0} \end{aligned}$$

non-linear system

zero input \rightarrow zero output for linear system

example 3

$$y[n] = n \cdot x[n] + n^2 x[n-1]$$

$$a_1 y_1[n] + a_2 y_2[n]$$

$$= n (a_1 x_1[n] + a_2 x_2[n]) + n^2 (a_1 x_1[n-1] + a_2 x_2[n-1])$$

$$= a_1 (n x_1 + n^2 x_1[n-1]) + a_2 (n x_2 + n^2 x_2[n-1])$$

$$= a_1 y_1[n] + a_2 y_2[n]$$

Linear system

A system is **time invariant** if the behavior & characteristics of the system are **fixed over time**.

A system is time-invariant if a **time shift** in the input signal results in an **identical time shift** in the output signal.

$$x[n] \rightarrow y[n] \quad x[n-n_0] \rightarrow y[n-n_0]$$

Time origin does **not** influence system transformation.

Example 1

$$y[n] = x^2[n]$$

let's say the input is $x_1[n]$

① Apply function to input, then shift output.

$$y[n] = F(x_1[n]) = x_1^2[n]$$

$$\text{out}_1[n] = y[n-n_0]$$

$$= x_1^2[n-n_0]$$

Shift
Invariant

② Shift input, then apply function

shifted input $x_1[n-n_0]$

$$\text{out}_2[n] = F(x_1[n-n_0]) = (x_1[n-n_0])^2 = x_1^2[n-n_0]$$

Same

Notes $y[n] = x^2[n]$

1. not linear

2. static non-linearities are shift invariant

depend only on current time

Dynamic \rightarrow depends on past and/or future times.

Example 2 $y[n] = n \cdot x[n]$

input: $x_1[n]$

① $y[n] = n \cdot x_1[n]$

out₁[n] = $y[n-n_0] = [n-n_0] x_1[n-n_0]$

② shifted input $x_1[n-n_0]$

out₂[n] = $F(x_1[n-n_0])$

= $n x_1[n-n_0]$

not same

Time varying

example 3

$$y[n] = \frac{x[n+1] - x[n-1]}{2}$$

1. input $x_1[n]$

$$y[n] = \frac{x_1[n+1] - x_1[n-1]}{2}$$

substitute $x_1[n]$ by $x_1[n-n_0]$

$$\text{out}_1[n] = y[n-n_0] = \frac{x_1[n-n_0+1] - x_1[n-n_0-1]}{2}$$

2. shifted input $x_1[n-n_0]$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{out}_2[n] &= F(x_1[n-n_0]) \\ &= \frac{x_1[n-n_0+1] - x_1[n-n_0-1]}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Same

Time Invariant